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Youth room to be added to services at Hoopeston Multi Agency

Storage space is being turned into a recreational center for local youth.

The Hoopeston Multi Agency is adding a youth room to its list of services, said executive director Chalmers Flint.

The room, approximately 24 feet by 60 feet, is being made possible by a \$1,000 grant from the Danville YWCA, Flint said.

The grant was used for materials to construct the room. Labor was donated by migrant workers of Stokely USA, Flint said.

The group is also renting the room for the program plus paying a portion of the heating bill, Flint said.

The youth room will include a pool table, ping pong table, air hockey game and television, with cable donated by Hoopeston Cable TV. Two computers will also be available to allow youngsters to do homework.

Angie Hampton of Rossville, a YWCA employee, will oversee activities at the room one night each week. However, Flint hopes to keep the room open more often using volunteers from the community.

"We need every club to donate a night," he said. "It could be the Jaycees one night, Rotary another night. I hope groups in our community will pick up the challenge."

Aside from supervising activities, Flint said it is important for youth to interact with adults. "We need adults and we need youth," he said. "We need both."

The room is scheduled to be open two to three hours nightly, from 4 or 5 p.m. until approximately 7 p.m., Flint said.

A community kick-off for the room is tentatively scheduled for 10 a.m. Aug. 11 when civic and organizational leaders will be invited for an unveiling.

Briefly

Woman pleads not guilty

Martha L. Miller, 28, of Alvin, pleaded not guilty Wednesday to charges she tried to hire people to kill her husband.

Miller was indicted earlier this month by a grand jury on two counts of solicitation of murder for hire and two counts of solicitation of murder.

Prosecutors said that between April and June, Miller offered to pay a woman \$1,000 to kill her husband and between February and June last year offered a man a 1995 truck as payment for killer her husband.

Miller, scheduled to stand trial Nov. 3, is free on bond.

Neighborhood Watch meeting

The Hoopeston Neighborhood Watch will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the Hoopeston municipal building.

A film on gangs is expected to be shown and Chief Carl Valentine will have handouts on the subject.

All Hoopeston residents are encouraged to attend.

Car wash

The teen group of the First Church of the Nazarene will hold a car wash from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the church, 402 E. Honeywell.

Donations will be accepted. Money raised will go towards the group's trip to St. Louis.

Special board meeting

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Police News

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Sandra K. Priddy, 930 S. Sixth Ave., reported Wednesday that someone removed a package from her mail box, took out the contents of the package, then left the package on the ground.

Other mail in the box was scattered in Priddy’s driveway.

Charles D. Landers, 30, of 214 Attica, Rossville, was arrested at 9:02 p.m. Wednesday at 648 E. Young, charged with criminal damage to property

over \$300 and possession of cannabis, 10-30 grams.

Police said Linda Drollinger reported that Landers kicked out the windows of her vehicle.

Landers was taken to the Public Safety Building, Danville, for arraignment.

Three men were arrested at 1:16 a.m. Thursday, charged with illegal transportation of alcohol.

Jeffrey S. Dazey, 21, of 1003 E. Delaware, Champaign; Curtis O. Miller Jr., 24, of 1001 W.

Honeywell; and Steven E. Robinson, 24, of 920 W. Honeywell, were released on notices to appear.

Police said the arrests were made after a traffic stop at West Main and South Sixth Ave.

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Vermilion County conservation area honors former state senator

A Vermilion County conservation area has been named in honor of the late state Sen. Harry “Babe” Woodyard.

The Harry “Babe” Woodyard State Natural Area has been designated east of Lickskillet Road, east of Georgetown. The Little Vermilion River runs through the area.

State Sen. Judy Myers, (R-Danville) who replaced Woodyard, said the tribute is fitting to a man with a deep commitment to preserving the great outdoors.

“I can’t think of an individual who devoted more of his time and effort to conservation and

environment issues than Babe Wooyard. Babe was the push behind Conservation 2000, he co-founded the Legislative Sportsmen’s Caucus, served as chairman of the Senate Agriculture and Conservation Committee and was a well-known advocate on conservation and agriculture issues.

“Babe Woodyard was a true steward of the environment,” she said. “I know Babe’s family is very proud of his achievements and the (Natural Area) is a living tribute to Babe - a tribute his family and all families can enjoy and appreciate in an area Babe loved, grew up in and served.”

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Court Dispositions

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July 17: Belinda Roberts, Rankin, uninsured; continued to Aug. 7.

Allen Shumate, Rankin, uninsured, disobeying stop sign; continued to Aug. 7.

Jerod Yepma, Texas, disobeying stop sign; continued to Aug. 7.

Connie Donnelly, Terre Haute, Ind., three counts deceptive practice, \$147.45 restitution; continued.

Cathryn Baird, Rossville, improper lane usage, pleaded guilty; \$95 total.


Ronda Houmes, Rankin, speeding, pleaded guilty; \$150 total.

Robert Akers, Hoopeston, nine hours public service work; rule to show cause issued.

Holly Anderson, no address listed, to pay \$135 fine and costs, \$176.76 restitution; rule to show cause issued.

Cathryn Baird, Rossville, disorderly conduct,

In the Hospital




Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital

July 23, 1997

Admitted: A Chi Yu and George Schupbach, Hoopeston.

Discharged: Rick McCay, Hoopeston.

Weather



Partly sunny with a chance of thunderstorms today. High in the mid 90s. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low in the mid 70s. Tomorrow, mostly sunny, hot, humid. High near 94, low near 74. Sunday, scattered thunderstorms. High near 90, low near 74.